Privatisation of National Dairy Development Board

2020. SHRI B. J. PANDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to privatise National Dairy Development Board;

(b) if so, the reasons for privatising the National Dairy Board;

(c) whether Government propose to reconsider the proposal and to revamp the Board since it is able to provide large scale employment; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (d) There is no proposal under the consideration of the Central Government to privatise National Dairy Development Board.

Support price of Unseed crop

† 2021. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a request is being made by the Government of Madhya Pradesh to Government to announce the support price of linseed crop;

(b) if so, the support price of linseed crop announced by Government this year; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) to (c) The Government of India received a proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for bringing linseed under the Minimum Support Price (MSP) Scheme and announce support price of linseed. The case was examined and found not feasible to agree to the proposal for various reasons, including the fact that the production of linseed is localized in nature whereas

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.